



Mississippi Milk Production Report

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This report contains the results from the quarterly *Milk Production Report*. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ms>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for this survey.

Milk Production Down 25 Percent from Previous Quarter

Mississippi milk production during the July - September 2016 quarter was 30 million pounds, down 3 percent from the same period in 2015 and down 25 percent from the April - June 2016 quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 9,500 head, 1,000 head fewer from the same period last year and down 500 head from the previous quarter.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 52.6 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.34 million head, 9,000 head more than the April - June quarter, and 21,000 head more than the same period last year.

Milk Cows and Production by Quarter, Mississippi, and U.S. 2014-2016

Item/Period	Mississippi				United States			
	2014	2015	2016	% Change from '15	2014	2015	2016	% Change from '15
Milk Cows¹	<i>Thousand Head</i>				<i>Thousand Head</i>			
1 st Quarter, January - March	13.0	12.0	10.0	-16.7	9,216	9,309	9,319	-
2 nd Quarter, April - June	13.0	12.0	10.0	-16.7	9,253	9,321	9,328	-
3 rd Quarter, July - September	12.5	10.5	9.5	-9.5	9,271	9,315	9,336	-
4 th Quarter, October - December	12.0	10.0			9,288	9,321		
Milk Production²	<i>Million Pounds</i>				<i>Million Pounds</i>			
1 st Quarter, January - March	52	53	42	-20.8	51,007	51,936	53,041	2.1
2 nd Quarter, April - June	51	47	40	-14.9	52,896	53,720	54,360	1.2
3 rd Quarter, July - September	40	31	30	-3.2	51,176	51,685	52,585	1.7
4 th Quarter, October - December	45	34			50,975	51,292		

¹ Average number for the period includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk nursed by calves.

Milk Production: Mississippi and U.S. July-September, 2007-2016

